70 कालेज और 30 विश्वविद्यालय) को अपने प्रथम डिग्री (12+3) कार्यक्रम के भाग के रूप में व्यावसायिक विषय आरंभ करने की अनुमति दी जानी चाहिए। इसने मानदंड प्रस्तावित किए हैं, जिन्हें कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वित करने के लिए संस्थानों का पता लगाते समय ध्यान में रखा जा सकता है। वित्तीय संसाधन उपलब्ध होने पर विश्वविद्यालय अनुदान आयोग आठवीं योजना में कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वित करना चाहता है।

Burden of Books on Schools Children

7205. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA:

SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the newsitem appeared in the Indian Express dated 20th April, 1994 captioned Calcutta's youth buried under burden of books;

(b) if so, what is the Government's reaction in this reard and whether Government propose to change the competitive education/present education system in the country keeping in view the Haryana Government decision that some schools have been earmarked where students will not have to carry books with them to school; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and whether any decision would be taken in the matter and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Some of the recommendations of Yash Pal Committee set up by the Government to suggest ways to reduce academic burden on school students are appropriate for dealing with the examination related tension highlighted in the newsitem. Both the instances of suicide mentioned in the newsitem reported to have been committed by school students of Calcutta relate to annual examinations conducted by the schools under the administrative control of Government of West Bengal. The implementation of the Yash Pal Committee's recommendations depends largely on the State Governments since the school education is mainly under their purview. The Committee's report has been widely circulated among the State Governments most of whom including the Government of West Bengal have broadly agreed with the recommendations of the Yash Pal Committee.

Expenditure on Education

7206. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:

SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 371 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 22nd April, 1994 and state:

(a) what are the reasons for shortfall in expenditure during 1992-93 on students of all levels which is shown as Rs. 19,603 crores while provision made for 1992-93 was Rs. 21,369 crores; and

(b) whether it is a fact that 85 percent of the educational expenses at higher level is spent on the salaries of the teachers and staff?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) In addition to the expenditure of Rs. 19,603,36 crores in 1992-93 (R.E.) on elementary secondary and higher education sectors, the